

Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior

§ 885.16

(4) You may use the following moneys for noncoal reclamation projects under section 411 of the Act and part 875 of this chapter:

(i) Moneys that may be available to you from the Fund.

(ii) Prior balance replacement funds made available under §872.31 of this chapter.

(iii) Certified in lieu funds as provided under §872.34 of this chapter.

(c) You may use grant funds for any allowable cost as determined by the OMB cost principles in Circular A-87.

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§ 885.13 What are the maximum grant amounts?

(a) You may apply at any time for a grant of any or all of the Title IV funds that are available to you.

(b) We will not award an amount greater than the total funds distributed to your State or Indian tribe in the current annual fund distribution less any previous awards of current year funds, plus any funds distributed to you in previous years but not awarded, plus any unexpended funds recovered from previous grants and made available to you under §885.19 of this chapter.

(c) Funds for the current fiscal year are available for award after the annual fund distribution described in §872.13 of this chapter.

(d) Whenever you request it, we will give you information on the amounts and types of funds that are currently available to you.

§ 885.14 How long is my grant?

The performance period for your grant will be the time period you request in your grant application.

§ 885.15 How do I apply for a grant?

(a) You must use application forms and procedures specified by OSM.

(b) We award your grant as soon as practicable but no more than 30 days after we receive your complete application.

(c) If your application is not complete, we inform you as soon as practicable of the additional information we need to receive from you before we can process the award.

(d) You must agree to expend the funds of the grant in accordance with SMCRA, applicable Federal laws and regulations, and applicable OMB and Treasury Circulars.

§ 885.16 What responsibilities do I have after OSMRE approves my grant?

(a) When we award your grant, we send you a written grant agreement stating the terms of the grant.

(b) After you are awarded a grant, you may assign functions and funds to other Federal, State, or local organizations. However, we will hold you responsible for the overall administration of that grant, including the proper use of funds and reporting.

(c) The grant award constitutes an obligation of Federal funds. You accept the grant and its conditions once you initiate work under the agreement or draw down awarded funds.

(d) Although we have approved the grant agreement, you must ensure that any applicable laws, clearances, permits, or requirements are met before you expend funds for projects other than coal reclamation under part 874.

(e) If you conduct a coal reclamation project under part 874 of this chapter or noncoal reclamation project under part 875 of this chapter, you must not expend any construction funds until you receive a written authorization from us to proceed on an individual project. Our authorization to proceed ensures that both you and we have taken all actions necessary to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and any other applicable laws, clearances, permits, or requirements.

(f) To the extent technologically and economically feasible, you must use fuel other than petroleum or natural gas for all public facilities that are planned, constructed, or modified in whole or in part with Title IV grant funds.

(g) You must not expend more funds than we have awarded. Our award of any grant does not commit or obligate the United States to award any continuation grant or to enter into any